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1. THE FOLLOWING IS A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT CARTER TO PRESIDENT KATZIR ON OCCASION OF ISRAEL'S 30TH ANNIVERSARY. MESSAGE SHOULD BE DELIVERED SHORTLY BEFORE MAY 11, AND EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO CONFIRM DELIVERY BY IMMEDIATE PRECEDENCE CABLE.

2. BEGIN TEXT

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, I SEND YOU AND THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL HEARTIEST CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF NATIONHOOD. THE UNITED STATES AND ISRAEL SHARE A COMMON LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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HERITAGE. BOTH HAVE SERVED AS REFUGES FOR PEOPLE SEEKING ASYLUM FROM PERSECUTION AND INJUSTICE. BOTH OUR COUNTRIES DEMONSTRATE TODAY THE VIABILITY OF FREE INSTITUTIONS AND THE CAPACITY OF FREE PEOPLE TO MAKE THEIR OWN DECISIONS. BOTH OF US, IN OUR OWN WAY, HAVE HAD TO DEAL WITH THE DIFFICULT CHOICES OF PEACE AND WAR.

IN THE THIRTY YEARS SINCE ITS CREATION AS A STATE, ISRAEL HAS OVERCOME MANY DIFFICULTIES. TODAY IT HAS A STRONG AND FIRM FRIEND IN THE UNITED STATES. THAT FRIENDSHIP WILL ENDURE. WITH PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST, ISRAEL WILL FACE A BRIGHT FUTURE. I SALUTE ISRAEL AND LOOK FORWARD TO THE DAY WHEN THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL WILL BE ABLE TO DEDICATE ALL THEIR GENIUS TO BETTERING THE HUMAN CONDITION.

SINCERELY, JIMMY CARTER END TEXT

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